



The American Legion Family

Tardiff-Belanger Post #39 Newsletter

Meetings

Legion
September 11, 2023
7 pm

Auxiliary
September 11, 2023
6 pm

Sons of the American Legion
September 11, 2023
5 pm

Hall Hours:
Monday - Saturday
3 pm

Post Officers

Commander: Will Price
1st Vice: Bob Demchak
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LEGION UPDATES...*From your Commander*

Comrades,

Come out and support your Post. We have things going on every day. Mondays are for Veteran's fellowship. Tuesdays, we have Cornhole Tournaments. Registration starts at 6:30pm and the tournament starts at 7pm. Wednesdays, The Sons have been putting on their world-famous dinners. Thursdays we have Cribbage from 6:30pm-9pm. Grab your partner and come on out. Fridays will be for fellowship. Karaoke will be returning Next Month. Saturdays will be an open night for camaraderie with fellow veterans, and on Sundays we have Bingo from 2-5pm.

On (American Legion Day) Saturday September 16th from 11-3pm we'll be having a holistic medicine event with guest speakers. Come out and learn some new ways to take care of yourself.

On October 7th from 12-6pm we are hosting a combined Chicken BBQ with the VFW. This will be free to all community Veterans and one guest. Please pass the word. Starting at 5pm we'll also have the band DarkRain in the house. This will be an awesome event.

The 120 Club has begun with a weekly drawing being held every Friday leading up to our banquet on the 18th of November. The meal for this year's event will be Lobster and Steak sponsored and prepared by our own SAL Squadron. The band for the Banquet will be Holy Smoke. Come and get your spot, we still have some available.

The Post needs all of us to run successfully, remember this is your post! It takes many hands to continue to do what we do. If anyone has ideas on different events, please send them to our planning board.

The Post is currently looking for another bartender to help with events. If you know of anyone that may be interested, have them call the post.

Building Fund Report:

The building fund is now at \$65,446.00. We are doing great, but we still need to keep pushing events and continue to raise funds. We attended the town selectmen meeting on 24 July and we requested the property swap. The Select man have forwarded this request to their Attorneys for review before they move forward. This was the Sec-

ond meeting of several to get this finalized. We still have a lot of moving parts to get done. Thank you to all who have participated in the ongoing fundraisers and hard work it takes to keep this Post operating on a day-to-day basis. We still have some work to do but are headed in the right direction.

Our next General Membership meeting will be held on September 11th at 7pm. Our next Executive Committee meeting will be held on September 18th at 7pm. Our next Family Day meeting has been moved from October 16th to September 18th at 5:30pm. Please get some drawings together for this meeting. We should get a decision soon on the FAME grant.

Additionally, we have coordinated with Casey's Redemption in Anson, Triple D Redemption in Norridgewock and the Solon Redemption Center and they are still taking bottle donations for our building fund.

We are still looking for Bingo volunteers on Sundays 2-5pm.

Respectfully,
Will Price
Commander

Auxiliary News...



Greetings,
Members!

Labor Day is around the corner and marks the unofficial end of the season of fun in the sun. Kids are returning to school and vacations completed. One thing that does not change is our veterans and their needs. Our communities needs. Therefore we must continue to work our mission - 7days a week, 365 days a year. Do you find yourself with a little more free time on your hands? Consider helping out one of the many Auxiliary or Legion Family events. Every one of us joined for a reason. What's your "why"?

2024 Membership cards are in and we're ready to collect dues. Remember we've had an increase and our dues are now \$32 and \$8.25 for juniors.

There are four ways to renew...

- by phone by calling 317-569- 4536
- By paying online at: <https://www.alaforveterans.org> Please note that we do not have a PayPal account.
- by mailing to the Unit's address (PO Box 325, Madison, ME 04950)

- dropping it off at the Legion with one of our friendly bartenders!!

Speaking of Membership, Stasi Brule, our Department Vice President/Membership Chair has revealed our membership theme for 2023-2024. The following is an excerpt from a recent post on FaceBook -

"Membership Theme for the 2023-2024 year: 'Together We Serve' When we work together we can achieve remarkable things. Our collective efforts enable us to reach new heights in membership, fundraising, and, most importantly, in the impact we make on the lives of our veterans and the communities we serve. "Together We Serve" encapsulates the essence of our purpose: service above self. This year's Membership Song is 'Known You Forever' by Tigirlily Gold. I have chosen this song because after speaking to many members, they have always said that they joined because the moment they walked in they felt like people had known them forever. When we continue to show the hospitality that we are known for because we are 'birds of a feather' who 'know where they stand cause

they've been in our shoes' – we will continue and increase our membership."

So let's start thinking of ways of how we can "work together" to achieve our membership goals and honor our veterans and bring them to our next General Membership meeting which will be on September 11th at 6pm. Hope to see many of you there!

Got a couple of hours to spare? We are in dire need of volunteers for the kitchen on Sunday's for Bingo.

Yours in service,
not self,
Robin Turek,
President

Have a safe Labor Day



Founded in 1919, the American Legion Auxiliary's mission is to support The American Legion and to honor the sacrifice of those who serve by enhancing the lives of our veterans, military, and their families, both at home and abroad. For God and country, we advocate for veterans, educate our citizens, mentor youth, and promote patriotism, good citizenship, peace and security.

PLEASE REMEMBER

We continue to collect aluminum tabs for Shriners Children's Hospital!

If anyone would like to reserve the hall, you MUST contact any bartender at the Legion - 696-5848 after 3:00 pm Mon - Sat. An application must be completed in order to confirm your reservation!

SAL Squadron #39

Founded in 1932, Sons of The American Legion exists to honor the service and sacrifice of Legionnaires.

Greetings!

Just a reminder that the positions of Adjutant and Historian are open. Please Help!

Membership cards ARE IN!!! We're taking payment on your 2024 membership dues. Dues are \$30. Anyone with outstanding 2023 dues need to get them in! We cannot issue your 2024 cards until 2023 is paid!

The \$300 gas card raffle is in full swing.

The drawing will be held after the Lobster Bake on August 25th. The tickets are \$5 per ticket or \$10 for 3. You can obtain tickets from any of your friendly bartenders or SAL member.

Dinner for Wednesday, August 23rd will be ham, mashed potato, carrots and dessert.

Our next membership meeting will be September 11th at 5pm.

Keep an eye on the Post Facebook page

(https://www.facebook.com/groups/162377067246838) and the Post website for upcoming events. <https://www.mainelegionpost39.org/>

Respectfully submitted,

Pete Graves,
SAL Commander
John Bryant,
Chairman of SAL

The Post is NON-SMOKING



Sick Call

Cecil Dow (Home)
Jim Saunders—Togus



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Auxiliary:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/ALAUNIT39/>

*Happy Birthday to
all members born in
September!*





US Naval Sea Cadet Corps - NCB 39 Battalion



Greetings from NCB 39 Battalion

We had 4 adults, and 2 cadets attended basic and advanced scuba training. Chief Petty Officer Hood took part in the advanced dive training, but also helped with the basic dive class. The advanced group was in the water down to a depth of 109 feet. On Friday, all divers took part in the ocean dive. Congrats to SN Williams and the Commander of the Legion, Will Price, on completing the week.

The following week, we had a cadet attend a forensic science training in NH. The forensics will be around an arson case. The cadet attending happens to be a volunteer with the Pittsfield fire department.

We are looking for more members for our unit. **We need to grow our Unit, or we are at risk of being closed.** Please reach out to your friends and neighbors who have children between the ages of 11 and 17.

The US Naval Sea Cadet Corps program is open to 11-17-year-old males and females. **Unit growth is now our priority and we are actively recruiting within the Central Maine area.** If you know any young male or female students that might be interested, please have them look at our FB page and/or our website.

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/NCB39BN/>

Website: www.ncb39bn.org

The officers and staff wish to thank the local communities, the entire Legion membership, cadet's families and friends for their continued support of this unit. Together, we are helping to shape the future.

Respectfully,
The Officers and Staff
NCB39 Battalion



Please remember that the profits from the kitchen during Bingo are our only **consistent** income that gets our monthly bills paid! Please consider donating some time. FMI - contact Tammy Giguere - 399-4948 OR Harriet Bryant - 635-2051. Also check the calendar in the kitchen and write your name on the Sunday you can volunteer.

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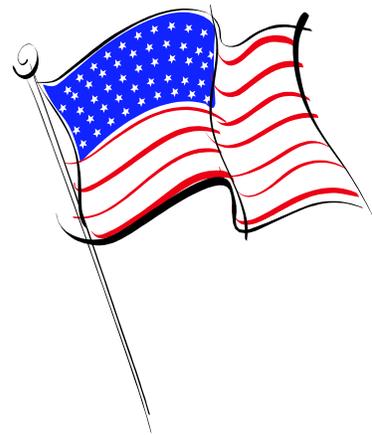
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